

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1557

ANSWERED ON:26.07.2016

Identification of Beneficiaries

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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Poverty Estimates used for identification of beneficiaries under Targetted Public Distribution System and National Food Security Act indicating the date since when they are being used;
- (b) whether the Government is planning to revise poverty estimates for the said schemes, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the identification of beneficiaries has been completed; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor along with the time by which they are likely to be completed, Statewise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): Government has notified the National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA) on 10.09.2013, which inter alia provides for coverage of upto 75% of the rural population and upto 50% of the urban population of the country for receiving foodgrains at subsidized prices under Targetted Public Distribution System (TPDS). Under NFSA, coverage under TPDS has been delinked from poverty estimates and corresponding to the above coverage at the all India level, State-wise coverage has been determined by the Planning Commission (now NITI Aayog) on the basis of National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) data for 2011-12 on consumption expenditure. Under the NFSA, the identification of eligible households is to be done by the respective State/UT Governments as per criteria evolved by them. As all States/UTs are required to implement NFSA, there is no proposal under consideration to revise poverty estimates for existing TPDS.

(c) & (d): Under NFSA, identification of beneficiaries is to be done by the States/UTs. NFSA is being implemented in 34 States/UTs and foodgrains under the Act are being allocated for 73.3 crore persons reported as identified in these States/UTs, out of total coverage of 81.3 crore persons under the Act. The State-wise details of identification of beneficiaries under NFSA is at Annex-I.

Annex - I

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) & (d) OF THE UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1557 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 26.07.2016 IN THE LOK SABHA

Statement indicating State-Wise number of Persons/families Covered under National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA)

(???????? 01.07.2016 ??? ??????? ? ? ?????? As on 01.07.2016)

(????? ??? ??? Figures in lakh)

?? ?? S.No.

????/??? ????? States/ UTs

??????? ?? ?????? ?????? ?????? ?? ?????? Accepted No. of persons under NFSA

??????? ?? ?????? ?????? ??????/??????? ?? ?????? No. of families/persons identified under NFSA

??? Total

??? ??????? ?????? Total identified persons

1

2

2

3

1

????? Bihar

871.16

857.12

2

???????? Chhattisgarh

200.77

200.77

3

??????? Delhi

72.78

72.73

4

???????? Haryana

126.49

126.49

5

??????? Himachal Pradesh

36.82
27.74
6
?????? Karnataka
401.93
401.93
7
??? ????? Madhya Pradesh
546.42
529.61
8
???????? Maharashtra
700.17
700.17
9
????? Punjab
141.45
141.45
10
???????? Rajasthan
446.62
446.62
11
???????? Tripura
25.02
25.01
12
????? ????? West Bengal
601.84
552.32
13
?
????? ?? Lakshadweep
0.22
0.22
14
????????? Uttarakhand
61.94
61.94
15
??????? Jharkhand
264.25
233.41
16
????????? Telangana
191.70
191.62
17
??????? Chandigarh
4.96
2
18
????????? Puduchery
6.34
5.88
19
??? ? ??? Daman & Diu
1.19
0.98
20
????? Odisha
326.21
318.92
21
??? Assam
251.90
251.52
22
????? Goa
5.32
5.20

23
???? ????? Andhra Pradesh
268.23
268.21
24
??????? Sikkim
4.06
3.77
25
???? ????? Uttar Pradesh
1520.61
1436.07
26
?????? ?? ??????? A&N
0.63
0.55
27
?????? Meghalaya
21.46
21.40
28
??? ?? ?? ?? ?? J&K
74.13
74.13
29
???? ? ??? ????? D&N Haveli
2.36
1.77
30
?????? Mizoram
7.06
6.45
31
?????? Gujarat
382.84
338.48
32
??????? ????? Arunachal Pradesh
8.71
8.21
33
?????? Manipur
25.06
21.18
34
???????? Nagaland
14.79
4.33
35
???????? Tamil Nadu
364.69
0
36
???? Kerala
154.80
0
Total ???
8134.93
7338.20
